



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
New Attorney Docket No.: 09423.0017-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Michael S. H. CHU et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3731  
Application No.: 10/017,012 ) Examiner: M. H. Thaler  
Filed: December 14, 2001 ) Confirmation No.: 7794  
For: METHODS AND APPARATUS )  
FOR GUIDING A NEEDLE )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the final Office Action of February 9, 2005. A fee of \$120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: June 8, 2005

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